

41 LIVES LOST ON CALIFORNIA

Anchor Liner Was Armed With
4.7 Gun Mounted Stern

ONE AMERICAN ABOARD

Submarine Fired Fatal Torpedo
Before Gunner Could Get
in Single Shot

London, England, Feb. 8.—The
French passenger steamer California,
of the Anchor line, bound from New
York for Glasgow, was torpedoed at 9
o'clock Wednesday morning off the
Irish coast and sank in nine minutes
with the loss of 41 lives. The stricken
ship was able to send out "S. O. S."
calls and help arrived promptly.
Nevertheless five persons were killed
by the explosion and 36 were drowned
on the launching of the life boats.

The news of the sinking of the Cali-
fornia reached London yesterday af-
ternoon before the survivors had yet
arrived on land but publication was
not permitted till more than 24 hours
later.

The California was an armed liner
carrying a single 4.7 gun mounted on
the stern. The gunner was just train-
ing the gun on the spot where oil
cubbers had revealed the presence of
the underwater enemy when a torpedo
struck the port side with an explosion
so violent that most of the people
aboard were thrown off their feet, five
being killed and a score injured.

The submarine fired a second tor-
pedo in an apparent effort to accel-
erate the sinking, but the second shot
missed, although both torpedoes were
fired from a distance of less than 200
yards.

There was only one American
aboard the California and he is among
the survivors.

Captain Henderson, commander of
the California, declares that the con-
duct of the passengers and crew was
exemplary. There had been careful
drills on the ship on the way across
and every person aboard had been as-
signed a place in a lifeboat and pro-
vided with a life belt. But, despite the
goodness of the passengers and the
seamanship of the crew, the successful
launching of the boats was made im-
possible by the shortness of the time
between the torpedoing the vessel and
her disappearance beneath the waves
which did not permit waiting until the
ship had lost headway.

While the boats were being lowered,
the California continued to move for-
ward, lurching like a drunken man
and the roar of the water rushing
through the gaping wound in her side
could be heard above the shouts of
officers and men. In a number of cases
it was necessary for the passengers to
jump into the boats after they were
in the water, and in one case a boat
with its apportioned load was swamped
and sank, many of the occupants be-
ing swept under the ship before the
other boats could give help.

Some of the life boats in the after-
part of the ship were afloat when re-
leased from the davits, so rapidly did
the ship settle by the stern. A con-
siderable number of the crew jumped
from their stations into the sea and
swam to the boats. It was extremely
fortunate that the weather was calm
and the sea glassy; otherwise it would
probably have been impossible to
launch a single boat.

The townspeople (name of port
omitted) who crowded the quays, car-
ried blankets, clothing and food and
were eager to be of some assistance to
the survivors when they were brought
ashore. Aside from those injured, few
of the survivors needed much help.
Some were thinly clad and glacially
received gifts of clothing. Naval and
military Red Cross contingents were
present to care for the injured.

According to the reports received
by the American embassy from some
of the survivors, there was only one
submarine, which however fired two
torpedoes, one of which missed a few
yards, the other hitting the California
squarely on the port quarter. It was
the captain from the bridge who dis-
covered suspicious oil bubbles on the
surface of the water 200 yards distant.
He instantly divined that a submarine
was there and ordered the gunner to
fire. Before this could be done the
ship was torpedoed. The track of the
torpedo and the periscope of the sub-
marine could be seen, but no warning
was given and the submarine did not
break to the boats after the survivors
were in the water.

Captain Henderson and the officers
remained aboard the California until
the ship went down. Among the of-
ficers missing are Chief Engineer
Smith, Engineer Cunningham and
Third Officer Simpson.

London, England, Feb. 8.—Follow-
ing are the names of the survivors
among the passengers of the Califor-
nia.

First cabin—James Broughton.
Second cabin—Mrs. J. W. Alderson,
Miss Gilmartin, Mrs. Angus Gilmartin,
Mrs. O'Donnell, Miss Rose Martin,
Alexander Morton (Marlin), Miss A.
Smith (Mrs.) Chambers.
Third cabin—Margaret Little, Mary
Little and Baby Little, Mrs. Jeanie Mc-
Kenzie, Alexander Knox (Alfred?),
Alexander, Alexander Logan,
Marjorie Sinclair, Jessie Robertson.

BRITISH LINE IS THRUST FORWARD

Important Heights Captured
Along Bapaume Road

FIGHTING IS INTENSE

Enemy and Neutral Ships Aggre-
gating 21,505 Tons Sunk
During Last 24 Hours

The British in the Somme region of
France are keeping up their new of-
fensive against the Germans in their
efforts to push forward toward Ba-
paulme. Southeast of Bapaume, along
the Bapaume-Peronne road, they have
taken the highest point of Sailly-Sail-
lissell hill and captured a number of
Germans and one machine gun. Along
both sides of the Ancre river west of
Bapaume further progress has been
made, including the capture of a
trench near Grandcourt, where a gain
was made Wednesday.

On the other parts of the front in
France and Belgium the fighting con-
tinues to be carried out by artillery
and small attacks by raiding parties.

There is much activity along the
entire front, according to the latest
French official communication. This
probably means that the intensive
fighting of some time ago will shortly
be resumed in this theatre.

On the eastern front, in the Car-
pathians, near Kiribaba, Petrograd
reports the capture of first line Ger-
man allied trenches which were held
by the Russians, despite counter at-
tacks.

Rome reports the failure of an Aus-
trian attack against the Italians in the
Sugana valley and the smashing of
Austrian batteries on several sec-
tors.

Enemy and neutral ships aggregat-
ing 21,505 tons have been sunk by
German submarines during the past
24 hours. Ten vessels in all were sent
to the bottom during this period, six
of them British steamers of an aggre-
gate tonnage of 16,736. The neutrals
sunk were a Norwegian ship and a
Swedish steamer. A French traveler
and a Russian ship were the other
victims of U-boats.

Announcement has been made by
the state department that in case of
war between the United States and a
foreign country the government will
not undertake the possession of bank
deposits or other property of such
foreign nations under which the recog-
nized law of the nation gives it no
just claim or title.

James W. Gerard, retiring ambas-
sador to Germany, is still in Berlin. A
semi-official communication says the
date of his departure "has not yet
been fixed. There has been no demar-
ch by Berlin of the official announcement
in Copenhagen that Mr. Gerard would
not be allowed to leave Berlin until
the German government was satisfied
as to the treatment by the American
government of Count Von Bernstorff,
the retiring German ambassador at
Washington.

"LEAK" REVELATIONS AGAIN ALL PETER OUT

MRS. VISCONTI SAID HER INFOR-
MATION CAME FROM YOUNG CHILD

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—An-
other promised sensation in the "leak"
inquiry flattened out today with the
long awaited testimony of Mrs. Ruth
Thompson Visconti, the mysterious in-
formant on whose statements Thomas
W. Lawson based some of his most
dramatic charges.

Declining to say publicly who told
her that Secretary Tumulty and W.
W. Fries, a White House correspondent,
profited by advance information on
the peace note, Mrs. Visconti re-
peated to the investigating committee
in confidence that all her information
came from remarks of Thomas's young
daughter.

Mrs. Visconti refused on her "con-
stitutional rights" to give the name
of her informant, but agreed to write
it on a slip of paper. The committee
considered the testimony in executive
session and the name Mrs. Visconti
wrote was not made public. It was
reported to be that of a playmate of
the Price child.

Immediately afterward Price took
the stand, reiterated his denial of
profiting by information obtained in
confidence and said he had reason to
believe the rumor repeated by Mrs.
Visconti started from chance observa-
tions by members of his family that
he could have so profited.

Tonight congressional interest in the
inquiry had lapsed almost to the point
of apathy and there was a definite
feeling in the committee that another
week probably would see its conclu-
sion.

Another hearing will be held in
New York Wednesday to receive re-
ports of investigators who have exam-
ined brokerage records.

Government printing office employees
and newspaper men who on Dec. 29
were told confidentially by Secretary
Lansing of the coming of the note, will
be examined tomorrow.

Coffey Outboxes Devoe.
New York, Feb. 8.—Jim Coffey of
New York outboxed Bob Devoe of
Kansas City in nine out of ten rounds
in Brooklyn tonight. Coffey weighed
203 pounds and Devoe 191.

AGREE ON REVENUE BILL

Flat Rate of Two Cents Per Pound Tax
On Oleomargarine.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—The ad-
ministration revenue bill, designed to
raise approximately \$250,000,000 and
authorize a bond issue of \$100,000,000,
virtually was agreed upon today by the
Democrats of the senate finance com-
mittee. It will be submitted to the
Democratic caucus for approval tomor-
row. Efforts to induce the committee
to reduce or eliminate the proposed
excess profit tax of 8 per cent on net
incomes of co-partnerships and corpo-
rations, were unavailing, the exemp-
tion of \$5,000 and 8 per cent profits on
investments is retained.

The committee agreed to amend the
bill by accepting the flat tax of two
cents a pound on oleomargarine, pro-
posed by Senator Underwood in lieu of
the present virtually prohibitive tax
of 10 cents a pound. Dairy interests
are greatly opposed to the amendment
and will be given a hearing tomorrow.
Increased inheritance taxes and munici-
palities excises as carried in the house
bill are retained.

GERMANY WANTS U. S. TO REAFFIRM TREATY

PROTECTING BUSINESS INTERESTS
IN EACH OTHER'S NATION

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Am-
bassador Gerard's refusal to enter
into any sort of negotiations with the
German foreign office is approved by
the state department as the only pos-
sible course for him to pursue in view
of his status of a private citizen. Any
communication from the German gov-
ernment regarding a treaty or any
subject would have to be carried out
through the Spanish diplomatic repre-
sentatives in Berlin who are look-
ing after the interests of Americans
in Germany.

The basis of the German proposition
to reaffirm the old treaties which,
among other things, provide that in
case of war the citizens of either
country in the other's territory shall
have nine months in which to dispose
of their property and leave, is found
in the fact that this course was nec-
essary to continue the convention in
existence as a result of the enactment
of the seaman's act by congress sev-
eral years ago. That act terminated
all treaties containing provisions in
conflict with the new legislation for
the protection of seamen. It was pro-
vided, however, that other sections of
the treaties not relating to the sailors
might be continued in force if the
governments with whom these treaties
were made by the United States ex-
pressed the willingness to the ex-
clusion of the objectionable matter.

When the proposition was made to
Germany to continue the treaties in
amended form, there was no response
and nothing more had been heard
about the matter until the news came
that Germany now wanted to take the
step necessary to keep the treaties
alive. There has been no announce-
ment of the American government's
attitude toward a re-affirmation of the
pact. Officials already have made
clear that the spirit of the treaties will
be observed in the treatment of Ger-
mans in this country, though there is
some disposition to oppose any ex-
changes with Germany on the subject.

The treaties have reference to the
rights of nationals residing as mer-
chants in either country to continue
their residence there for nine months
for the purpose of closing up their
business.

Mr. Gerard pointed out to Count
Monteolas, head of the American sec-
tion of the foreign office, who present-
ed the proposition to him that he was
no longer in a position to negotiate
any diplomatic instrument, Spain hav-
ing taken over American interests in
Germany. He suggested that a way
open for negotiations was through the
Swiss legation, which is representing
German interests at Washington.

The matter is of decided import-
ance to Americans in Germany, since
the German government's course to-
ward them will be materially affected
by the American government's views
on these old treaties between Prussia
and the United States.

Sweden Rejects Wilson Proposal.
Stockholm, Sweden, via London,
England, Feb. 8.—The Swedish gov-
ernment rejects President Wilson's
suggestion that other neutral govern-
ments join with the United States in
severing diplomatic relations with
Germany and declares its intention to
follow the strictest neutrality so long
as it is possible.

"The government of the United
States has chosen as a means of ar-
riving at the realization of peace a
method absolutely contrary to the
principles which have guided the pol-
icy of the Swedish government up to
the present hour."

So declares the Swedish note, which
the minister of foreign affairs, K. A.
Wallenberg, delivered to the American
minister, Ira Nelson Morris, in reply to
President Wilson's invitation to Swe-
den to join with the United States.

Crugany Gives Her Answer.
Montevideo, Uruguay, Feb. 8.—The
Uruguayan government has replied to
the German note rejecting the prin-
ciples of submarine war as announced
by Germany.

The minister of foreign affairs has
replied to President Wilson's note de-
claring that the Uruguayan government
had already previously adhered to the
principle of the United States taking
in hand the defense of the rights and
interests of neutrals.

RELATIONS GROW MORE STRAINED

No Official Evidence of Any
Overt Act Yet Against U. S.

ALL MERE GOOD LUCK

Germany's Intention of Pursuing
Ruthless Warfare Each Day
More Apparent

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—The
American government still is without
the official evidence of an overt act
by Germany considered necessary to
justify President Wilson in going be-
fore congress for authority to use
necessary means to protect American
seamen and people.

There is no longer any doubt that
the ruthless submarine campaign is in
full swing in defiance of the warning
of the United States. Everywhere it is
believed that if no American ship has
been destroyed it is because Ameri-
can ships are lying idle in their har-
bors instead of plying their usual
trade; if no American life has been
lost it is due entirely to chance.

It also is generally conceded that on
the basis of preliminary reports the
torpedoing without warning of the
passenger liner California with an
American on board, makes out a clear
cut case of technical violation of the
rights of the United States.

President Wilson, however, is re-
ported as determined not to plunge the
country into war on a technicality.
When he moves it will be on complete
evidence of an outrage about which
there can be no question. Then he ex-
pects to have the American people and
congress behind him.

Unofficial dispatches today told of
the killing of an American negro
sailor named George Washington in the
sinking of the British steamer Turin.
Few details were given and the state
department tonight had heard nothing
officially. The incident will be con-
sidered as soon as reports are received.

To get in personal touch with all
steps taken to prepare the country for
whatever may come the President left
the white house this afternoon and
made another quick round of the state,
war and navy departments, visiting
Secretaries Lansing, Baker and
Daniels. It was stated that he will
continue this practice almost every
day to save time.

When he returned to the white
house it was stated officially that in-
formation on all the torpedoed vessels
involving Americans was being gath-
ered as rapidly as possible, but that up
to that time there had been no change
in the situation. The President him-
self said that his visits were not due
to any new developments of import-
ance.

Additional cause for uneasiness was
given the government in the receipt of
information regarded as confirming re-
ports that Ambassador Gerard and
American consuls in Germany virtu-
ally are being detained in Germany
because of uncertainty in Berlin over
the plans for Ambassador Von Bern-
storff, and as a result of reports that
German ships in American harbors
had been seized. It is not understood
that there has been any formal action
in this connection, the German gov-
ernment merely delaying arrangements
for the departure of the Americans.

Word was received from Great Brit-
ain and France during the day that
safe conduct for German diplomats in
this country would be arranged. This,
as well as the fact that German ships
here have not been seized, was com-
municated to the Berlin government
and no further difficulty is anticipated.

From several neutral nations came
information that while they would not
break diplomatic relations with Ger-
many they had or would send protest
which would align them against the
new campaign of ruthlessness.

Again there were some suggestions
of a combination of neutral nations
either to prevent trouble between the
United States and Germany or make
clear neutral rights, but no definite
plans were made public.

In line with his general policy in the
crisis the President authorized the
statement that even in case of war
bank deposits and other property of
foreigners in the United States would
be safeguarded and not seized.

In taking stock of a whole new
world situation precipitated by the
German pronouncement of February 3,
official Washington looks upon the
German action as having forced sever-
ance of relations and brought this
country to the verge of war, as having
left 1,000,000 prisoners for whom this
country was entering in a serious situa-
tion and as having brought down on
Germany the moral indignation of
practically all the rest of the world.

Some officials also think that the
last three days have shown that the
German threat to isolate England may
be made good.

Immediate changes may be looked
for in England, first as to methods of
fighting the underwater boats and second
as to safeguarding the country against
starvation. Whether better protection
will be had by heavier armament
of merchant vessels, convoy provision
of sea lanes or an attempt to
root out the German fleet are subject
of interested speculation.

Diversions of all Scandinavian trade
from examination at Falmouth or
other English ports to Halifax already
has been suggested in Scandinavian
circles as a possible method whereby
Danish, Norwegian and Swedish ships
could again take to the high seas

FEED DEALERS DISBAND

Retail Association Dissolved Without
Completing Program.

Binghamton, Feb. 8.—The New York
State Retail Feed Dealers' association,
which was attacked by the Wicks in-
vestigating committee of the legisla-
ture, voted to dissolve this afternoon
and adjourned its state convention sud-
denly without carrying out the pro-
gram.

The Wicks committee in a report to
the attorney general a short time ago
recommended prosecution of certain
officers of the association, particularly
H. M. King of Waterville, the secre-
tary. It is understood that now, since
the feed dealers have abandoned what
farmers charge was their "trust" there
will be no prosecution and no further
allegations against the officers.

It was claimed that the association
fixed prices of commodities its mem-
bers handled.

The press committee, in a statement
said:
"The association believes now that
there will be no further trouble, al-
though we do not know that the com-
mittee offered to cease its activities if
the association disbanded."

GERARD'S DEPARTURE IS STILL UNCERTAIN

GERMANS NOT WORRIED ABOUT
SAFETY OF BERNSTORFF

Berlin, Germany, Feb. 8, via London,
England.—The German foreign office
last night asked James W. Gerard, the
American ambassador, to sign a pro-
posal reaffirming the treaties of 1799
and 1812. The ambassador referred
the government officials to Spanish
and Swiss intermediaries.

This information is contained in an
announcement made public today by
the Overseas News Agency, which fol-
lows:

"The date of the departure of the
American ambassador has not yet
been fixed. The number of persons
for whom passports must be secured
will be rather large and therefore this
work will require some time. Every
endeavor is being made to assure the
ambassador and the personnel of the
embassy all possible facilities for pri-
vate telegrams.

"While the American residents ac-
cepted loyally the decision of their gov-
ernment, many of them regret the
breaking off of relations with Germany
without provocation. A number of
Americans, among whom are several
newspaper correspondents, have de-
cided to stay in Germany until further
developments.

"Concerning Count Von Bernstorff's
departure from the United States, up
to the present no official communica-
tion has been received for several
days. All connection with the am-
bassador is completely severed and re-
liance has to be placed on all sorts of
news coming from the enemy which
cannot be examined into as to its re-
liability. Nevertheless no serious con-
cern is felt regarding safe departure
of German officials in the United
States, it being considered that the
United States will not depart from the
basis of the law of nations, especially
that of the treaty of 1799."

Berlin, Germany, Feb. 7, by wireless
to Bayville, Feb. 8.—The date of the
departure of Ambassador Gerard has
not yet been fixed. The German au-
thorities are making every endeavor
to assure him and members of the
American embassy all possible fa-
cilities for forwarding private tele-
grams. No serious concern is felt here
as to the safe departure of German
officials in the United States.

TONNAGE DESTRUCTION RAPID

At Present Rate All Shipping Would
Be Lost in Four Years.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 8.—Ger-
many's ruthless submarine warfare,
continued with the success of the past
three days, would destroy in a short
time a great part of the world's mer-
chant tonnage. Officials here es-
timated today that vessels were being
sunk at the rate of nearly a million
tons a month, the amount German
naval authorities set as necessary to
starve the British Isles. At that rate
it would take just four years to des-
troy the tonnage of the entire world—
18,000,000 tons — if all the world's
ships ventured into the war zone.

Lloyd's report puts the tonnage sunk
February 5, 6 and 7 at about \$5,000.
The world turned out in 1916 less
than 2,000,000 tonnage of merchant
vessels.

Of the 18,000,000 tons of merchant
ships in the world Great Britain owns
about 20,000,000. The United States
is second with a little more than 6,
000,000. In American ports there are
95 German merchant vessels of 600,000
tonnage which put in for haven at the
outbreak of the war.

Without having to run through the
German zone. The United States is
willing to second these efforts just as
far as possible informally, as it is to
defend the countries he kept open.
Whether England would consent to
this diversion is uncertain.

The last word received by the gov-
ernment from Ambassador Gerard was
dated Berlin, Feb. 5, at 7 p. m. He is
now allowed to communicate here
only indirectly through Copenhagen
and without code. The state depart-
ment communicates with him through
the Spanish foreign office.

BEAUTIFUL DEGREE CONFERRED BY STATE GRANGE OFFICIALS

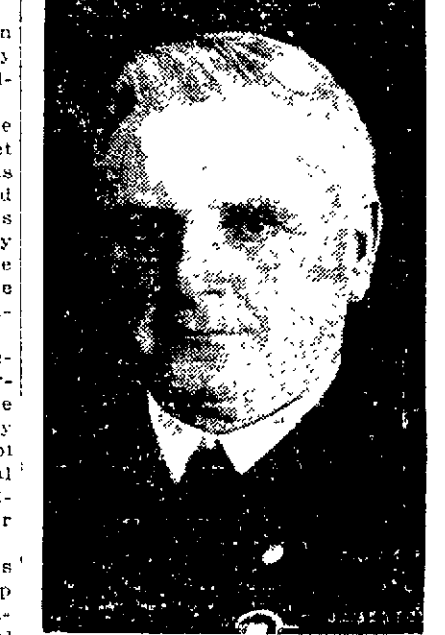
No Less Than 563 Candidates Receive State Grange Honors—An
Impressive Ceremonial at Armory Last Evening

FINAL ADJOURNMENT MAY BE TAKEN LATE TODAY

Much Business Remains to Be Transacted, Including Action Upon
Important Matters Affecting Welfare of Rural Commu-
nities of State—District Deputies Meet and Plan More
Perfect Ritual Work for Coming Year

Company C's army, in which the
members of the New York State grange
are being held, bore little resemblance
to what a few years since would have
been the popular idea of a grangers'
gathering, having far more the ap-
pearance of the annual ball of a some-
what exclusive fraternal organization
in an up-state city, dress suits and
fashionable evening gowns of quality
being much in evidence, while beau-
tifully arranged tables in the center of
the spacious drill hall were spread
with candelabra and cut glass punch
bowls and artful baskets filled with
wafters and other delicacies, while
about the platform and tables were
rare plants and cut flowers. The plat-
form had been transformed by the
erection of seats in the rear in the
form of a pyramid. Other decorations
made the scene a pretty one.

This was the setting with seats ar-
ranged around the sides of the hall in
the form of a hollow square for the
social event of Grange week and the
degree work of the sixth degree,
known as Flora—the stellar degree of
the order, there being but one higher.



George C. Watson, Lecturer.

that of the National grange. The event
was signaled by no less a number
than 563 receiving the degree, of
whom 54 were members of the One-
onta grange. The degree is one of
the most impressive and pleasing yet
devised and the work was most beau-
tifully rendered by worthy Master S.
J. Lowell of Fredonia, assisted by the
following officers of the State grange:
Lecturer, Albert Manning of Otisville;
lecturer, George C. Watson of Clyde;
steward, F. J. Riley of Sonnetta; as-
sistant steward, Fred C. Hecker of
Webster; chaplain, Rev. E. E. Grob
of Seneca Castle; treasurer, W. L.
Hean of McGraw; secretary, W. N.
Giles of Skaneateles; gate keeper, H.
S. One of South Linton; Flora, Mrs.
P. E. Alexander of Palisade; Lector,
Mrs. Helen Brown Eysman of Pots-
dam; Ceres, Mrs. C. H. Pratt of Al-
den; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Guy
Chamberlain of Schenectady.

In the work assigned to the master,
Mr. Lowell was assisted by Past Wor-
thy Masters Vary, Godfrey and Norris
—the only men who have filled the
honored position living. The past
masters gave the grip, the password
and the unwritten work. Mrs. Alex-
ander as Flora had considerable work
in the degree and she did it admir-
ably, being flanked at the sides and
rear with other ladies of the order,
all attired in white.

The obligation is one of much sig-
nificance and throughout the entire
ritual work the degree is impressive.
Following the secret work Gardner's
oath was admitted and by sections
the initiates were marched about
the hall and to the station of the mas-
ter, where Flora and her assistants
planned a rose or a carnation upon
each while the orchestra rendered ap-
propriate music. Later Flora's en-
gaged the court, embracing a large retinue,
including the grange officers and
numerous assistants, gathered at the
front, those not having the regula-
of office being bedecked with silk sashes
and they in turn marched about the
enclosure and assembled in pretty
formation about the tables. The court
then passed a delicious punch prepar-
ed by Mrs. Casteline, Oneonta's well
known cateress, with wafters and other
delicacies.

Following the refreshments Flora's
court again assembled and opened the
ball with a grand march, the position
of honor being accorded to the Flora
of the Michigan State Grange, Mrs.
Anderson, who is in attendance at the
grange, with her escort. Others fell
in behind the court and participated in
the grand march, which continued un-
til the participants were weary, after
which the center of the hall was
cleared and dancing followed with
Gardner discoursing his most appeal-
ing music and many indulging in the
pastime.

Evidencing the magnitude of the af-

fair it may be cited that over a hun-
dred dozen roses and carnations were
distributed and 80 gallons of the fruit
punch were required for the luncheon.
Both in the impressiveness and beauty
of the degree and in the festivities of
later hours the evening was one that
evidenced that Grangers appreciate the
social side of life and that no orga-
nization, rural or urban, surpasses it.
It was easily the climax and crowning
feature of the State Grange and none
enjoyed it more fully than those mem-
bers of Oneonta and vicinity Granges
who witnessed and participated in it
for the first time. It was midnight
before the throng of dancers quit the
floor for the rest needed for the strenu-
ous work of the final sessions of today.

The Final Day.

While a large amount of work has
been accomplished, there still remains
much to be done if adjournment is
taken this afternoon, which is the plan.
Some doubt ability to properly consider
the many questions that will be pre-
sented. It is not unlikely that perhaps
before another Grange gathers pro-
vision will be made to omit the read-
ing of all the memorials presented and
that only those which receive the com-
mittee's sanction and are presented for
action will be heard on the floor.

Today the delegates receive their
checks in payment of mileage and per-
diem for attendance and those who
have been in attendance at each ses-
sion will receive the full allotment.

Member of Old Guard.

Mrs. Jennie Stone of Oswego is in
attendance for the thirty-eighth time
at a State grange and providence per-
mitting she declares her intention of
surpassing the record of the venerable
Jack Barlett, late of Seneca county,
who established the record of 40 ses-
sions. The old time members have
organized the Old Guard and she is
now the custodian of their banner,
which in her haste she neglected to
bring to Oneonta. She is bright of in-
tellect and bids fair to attain to the
distinction that she covets. She is a
guest at The Oneonta and takes a liv-
ely interest in all matters before the or-
ganization.

The Morning Session.

Yesterday's morning session was
devoted quite largely to the discussion
of resolutions offered with minor
business matters transacted. The resolu-
tions adopted are noted elsewhere in
this issue.

OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

MILFORD MENTION.

Special Meeting of Home Economics Club To Be Held Saturday.

Milford, Feb. 8.—On Saturday afternoon of this week at 2:30 o'clock a special meeting of the Milford Home Economics club will be held at the high school building. The program planned for the January meeting will be given at this time and all members are requested to be present. Mrs. Earl Culver will give a paper on "First Aid to the Injured," with a few instructions on home nursing. A question box will be a feature of the afternoon and members are invited to ask questions, which come under the subject of the paper. These questions will be read aloud and taken up for discussion.

Sunday School Classes Entertained. Classes nine and seven of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. George Culver on Tuesday evening.

Games of various kinds were indulged in and save for an interval in which most delicious refreshments were served, the guests until a seasonable hour were entertained with a very pleasing literary and musical program. The committee, who were in charge of the evening's entertainment, were Mrs. George Culver, Mrs. M. B. Armstrong, Mrs. E. O. Jewell and Miss Rose Hartum.

To Open Office at Portlandville.

Dr. L. W. Green of this village will have office hours at Portlandville commencing the last of this month, visiting that village two days a week. Dr. C. E. Maxwell, whose practice he will take over, leaves the 21st of the month for Washington, D. C., much to the regret of many friends in this village.

Ill With Pneumonia.

Harlan Harrison, who has been very ill the past two weeks at the home of his son, S. S. Harrison, suffering with pneumonia, is slowly improving. He

is under the care of Dr. W. R. Seiber and a trained nurse from Utica.

Legal Holiday Monday.

Monday, Lincoln's birthday, being a legal holiday the Milford High school and the Milford National banks, will be closed for the day and the post office part of the day.

NEWS AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

Bills Authorizing Issuing of Bonds for Village Improvements Passed.

Cooperstown, Feb. 8.—The bills introduced recently by Assemblyman Bloomfield authorizing the trustees of the village of Cooperstown to issue bonds for the payment of sewer construction work and the improvement of Main street, were passed by the assembly on Tuesday, February 6. The question as to whether or not Main street is to be paved will soon be decided by the taxpayers of the village. The plans for the proposed improvements have been prepared by Engineer Vrooman and are now on exhibition at Church & Scott's. Bithulstic pavement is favored for the street in case the taxpayers decide to accept Mr. Hyde's offer of \$10,000 toward the

improvement of the street, the estimated cost of which is \$45,000. If the pavement proposition is defeated some other means must be taken to repair Main street and in this case the expenditure will not be for a permanent improvement. Once the street is paved, the cost of paving can almost be made up from the yearly maintenance. During the past year the trustees have paid off the \$3,200 indebtedness of Susquehanna avenue, \$1,000 on Chestnut street, \$1,000 on Lake street, making a total of \$5,200.

Annual Smoker Next Thursday.

The annual smoker for the men of the Christ church will be held at the parish house, Thursday evening, February 15, at 8 o'clock. There will be a brief lecture, illustrated by stereoscopic pictures on "Submarines and Airplanes as Used in Modern Warfare." An orchestra will furnish music and refreshments will be served.

Village Election Soon.

The annual village election is only about a month away, but to date none of the "party" committees have held any meetings to discuss candidates. As this year promises to be one that will tax the mayor and trustees with many

important burdens and responsibilities, it would be well for the citizens to commence thinking a little and suggest the proper and fitting candidates.

Delightful Affair.

The annual "dinner dance" of the Village club was held Wednesday night, and was attended by over 200 guests. The menu was elaborate and well served. Music for the dinner was furnished by Prof. Allez's orchestra, and for the dance by Prof. Brouner.

Annual Meeting of Baraca Class.

The Baraca class of the Baptist church held their annual meeting and election of officers Wednesday night. Ralph Wood was elected president, Lauren Sperry, vice president, Clyde Reynolds, secretary, Harry Stout, treasurer. Arrangements were made for the banquet to be held at the Baptist church on Friday, February 16.

Body of William Riley Interred.

A special car containing the remains of William Riley of Richfield Springs, who died recently, arrived in this village Wednesday afternoon. Accompanied by many relatives and friends, the funeral cortege moved to St. Mary's cemetery, where the deceased was interred.

Many Rumors Afloat.

Never in the history of the village has there been so many "rumors" sent forth than at the present time. Some of them are so absurd that it would be well for the habitual "gossipers" if they found something else to do, and not take up the valuable time of others in running down the "rumors."

OCCURRENCES IN OTEGO.

Earnest Workers Hold Supper at A. W. Bailey's on Wednesday.

Otego, Feb. 8.—The Earnest Workers of the Presbyterian church held one of their popular suppers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bailey on Wednesday evening last. An appetizing supper and social time was enjoyed by all present. A goodly sum was added to the treasury of the society.

O. E. S. Meeting.

Regular stated meeting of Otego chapter, O. E. S., on this Friday evening.

Dance Friday Evening.

A dance will be held in Fuller's Opera house on this Friday evening, under the management of James Hawkins and Edward Shutes.

H. H. Skeritt to Speak.

H. H. Skeritt will speak in behalf of the Anti-Saloon league at the Christian church on Sunday morning, February 11. All should try to attend this service and hear this able speaker.

Methodist Mention.

All services next Sunday at the usual hour.

The pastor will speak on Lincoln at the evening service. All men of the church and congregation are urged to help in organizing a large men's class.

Regular monthly business meeting of the Epworth league Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Official board at 8:30.

Choir rehearsal Friday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. C. H. Broadfoot.

Board Appoints Justice of Peace.

The town board has appointed R. C. Trusk for justice of peace to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Sherman Burdick.

Otego Juveniles at Oneonta.

The Otego Juvenile Basketball team will play the Oneonta Normals at Oneonta Saturday evening of this week.

Band Practice Friday Evening.

Professor Herrick of Sidney, director of the Otego Military band, has sufficiently recovered from the severe attack of grip from which he has been ill the past two weeks to direct a rehearsal of the band at their rooms this Friday evening.

Otego Personal.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mann are spending a few days in Utica. — Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hunt of Binghamton are visiting at the home of their son, Harvey Hunt.

IT HAPPENED IN HARTWICK.

Sleighride and Supper of Church-Sunday School Saturday Afternoon.

Hartwick, Feb. 8.—This week Saturday afternoon the Sunday school of the Christian church will meet at the church at 1:30 o'clock to enjoy the annual sleighride. Teams enough have been secured to carry the entire school.

At the close of the ride a free supper will be served in the basement of the church to which all members of the school are expected to partake.

First Attraction Largely Attended.

Tuesday evening the first attraction at the Village club house was greeted by a full house, many remained standing in the rear. The Trumbull Players presented "Life's Shop Window" and the patronage was very gratifying to the management.

Social Club.

Friday evening the Social club of the L. O. T. M. will meet at the lodge room for a social evening.

Gentlemen's Supper.

Next week Thursday evening the gentlemen of the Methodist Episcopal church will serve supper in the church dining room.

Mr. and Mrs. Augur to Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Milton Augur will entertain the two Sunday school classes of the Christian Sunday school taught by Rev. Albert Loucks and Roy Adams, also the wives of all men of the Bible class of the pastor Tuesday evening, February 13.

Death of William Riley.

It was with sadness that the village received the news of the death of William Riley, so many years engaged as conductor on the electric railroad. His death occurred Sunday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Purcell of

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Richfield Springs. During his employment on the O. & H. he boarded with Mrs. M. D. Sitter. Mr. Riley was afflicted for a long time with asthma and heart trouble but despite of his sufferings he was of a most extraordinary genial and kindly disposition.

Brevities.

The proposition of a new school-house and site is again being discussed. — Mrs. Edson Balcom is failing and grave fears are entertained of her recovery. — There were about 35 numbers sold at the masquerade dance at the Christian Hill Grange hall last Friday evening. — John L. Horan has sold his blacksmith business to Mr. Snyder of Roseboom. — Mrs. T. Sherwood will take orders for the Work and Play club for bungalow aprons, middles and children's bloomers.

SHEAF OF UNADILLA NEWS.

Moore & Toplift Hardware Company Incorporates This Week.

Unadilla, Feb. 8.—Incorporating papers were drawn on Wednesday by Attorney C. C. Flaesch for the Unadilla Hardware company, which will take over the business formerly conducted by P. C. Pierce and later by Moore & Toplift. The capital stock is \$6,000 and the officers are: W. G. Toplift, president; Carrie C. Moore, vice president; John C. Boynton, secretary and treasurer and general manager. Mr. Boynton comes from West Rupert, Vt., and expects soon to move his family here.

Anniversary Surprise Party.

A surprise party was given to Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rutenber on Tuesday at their home on Bridge street. It was the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage and a large number of friends was entertained.

Social at Presbyterian Church.

A social evening was held in the Presbyterian church parlors on Wednesday evening by the Christian Endeavor society. The Boy Scouts were invited and many were in attendance. Each guest represented a book and Florence Linster and Dora Decker received prizes for the best representations. Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening was enjoyed.

Benefit at the Idlehour.

The choir of St. Matthew's Episcopal church took charge of the Idlehour theatre on Monday evening, presenting the Holy City. About \$30 was taken in and the money will be used for choir purposes.

Methodists to Hold Supper.

Committee No. 1 of the Methodist Ladies' Aid society will serve supper Friday evening from 5:30 o'clock. A good supper is guaranteed for 25 cents. All are invited.

In the French Trenches.

Monday evening the Men's Brotherhood class met at the home of Fred N. Parsons. The special topic was an address by Mr. Miller, who spent six months in the French trenches. The talk was enjoyed by all.

Woman's Club Holds Social Evening. A very pleasant social function was the reception held Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles C. Flaesch.

of Unadilla. The guests were the members of the Woman's club of this place. Cards were played and the prize went to Miss Marguerite Gompf. Mrs. William Dickson was chairman for the evening.

To Observe Lincoln's Birthday.

There will be appropriate exercises, commemorative of Lincoln's birthday in the Unadilla High school Friday morning. On Monday there will be no school. There will be Lincoln's birthday exercises Sunday evening at the Methodist Episcopal church.

Boy Scouts Give Benefit Entertainment

The Boy Scouts of Unadilla will have charge of the Idlehour theatre Monday evening. Admission to children will be 10 cents, 15 cents for adults.

THE WEEK IN WESTFORD.

Westford, Feb. 8.—Mr. Pammetter, who resides in this village with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Weldon, is quite ill, and attended by Dr. Burdick. — Mrs. E. J. Wright returned from the hospital at Cooperstown Wednesday. — The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will hold a supper at the church on Friday evening of this week. — Lee McRorie has purchased of his father, C. E. McRorie, the farm where he formerly lived, and will move back there March 1. — Floyd McClinton, who vacates the McRorie farm, has commenced moving to the Bentley farm at Maple Valley.

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HOME SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS.

"There is no other co-operative agency so much needed by the school as the home," declares Franklin B. Dyer, superintendent of the public schools of Boston, Mass., in a communication to the United States Bureau of Education, department of interior. "There never was a time when the need was so great for intimate connection between the home and school as at present. The conditions of modern life are so complex, opportunities for good and evil are so numerous, the occupations of the home are so meagre unless they are related to the school, and the work of the school is so abstract unless it has a practical outcome in the home, that it is imperative for parents and teachers to get together."

"The co-operation should not be confined to a sentimental regard and respect of each for the other. The training of each must supplement the other. Such co-operation can come about in no other way so well as through organizations that bring parents and teachers into friendly and frequent contact. The problems of character building, of habit formation, of training of vocational counsel, in fact all the questions that pertain to the early period of child life, are of equal importance to parents and teachers."

Superintendent Dyer has recently given his endorsement to a plan of citizen co-operation with the city school board. This plan provides for an advisory council of citizens to consist of local committees to represent each school district, appointed by the school and home associations of the district. "This plan," says Superintendent Dyer, "involves the ultimate organization of a home and school organization in every school district in Boston." It is expected that the school committee will designate the director of extended use of public schools, or some other official, to assist in the organization and the activities of the home school associations whenever they do not now exist.

COMMENTS OF THE PRESS

Shoddy Patriotism.

The action of the Guaranty Trust company in giving 15 of its employees indefinite leave of absence merely because they were Germans is, we believe, unjustifiable, even if their pay is continued. It is apt to set a mischievous example to others who may discharge their German employees outright.

We know of no cheaper form of patriotism than to deprive a fellow human being of his bread and butter simply because he belongs to a nation with which our nation is on unfriendly terms. To discharge honest and competent employees solely for the crime of being German would be an act of uncivilized stupidity and cruelty which any decent citizen should be ashamed to contemplate.

In this country's two and a half years of detached observation of the war we have had the benefit of discovering how hatred has debased humanity as well as elevated it; how, simultaneously, mediocre men have become heroes in action, and men of wisdom and culture have thrown reason and moderation to the winds and have become in their intellectual and spiritual processes like children or savages.

With the benefit of such an example we should strain every nerve to prove to the world that a free and enlightened people can be courageous abroad without being bullies at home, and that cruel persecution of helpless and harmless men, women and children is about the shabbiest way imaginable of upholding our national honor.

Congress, Triumphant But Wrong. Something more than a combination of Know-Nothingism and union labor was responsible for the passage by Congress over the President's veto of the bill excluding immigrants who cannot read and write. These interests have been active heretofore and have not prevailed.

Probably the two-thirds majority in favor of the measure in both houses was due to some degree to conditions arising since the beginning of war in Europe. Never before has attention been so aggressive. The belief that immigration has proceeded beyond our power of assimilation seems to have been accepted by many senators and representatives who certainly are not nationalists and who have no reason to fear the political revenge of organized labor.

Yet whatever the motive may have been, the remedy adopted is wrong in principle, at variance with the best of our traditions and calculated to serve no purpose except that of the selfish element which would corner the labor market. Illiteracy will bar many an honest man from America. It will not stop a single alien bent upon mischief. While Congress has spoken and acted very emphatically on this subject, we shall continue to believe that it is mistaken and that Presidents Cleveland, Taft and Wilson, who have disagreed with it, have been in the right politically as well as morally.

BEAUTIFUL DEGREE CONFERRED BY STATE GRANGE OFFICIALS

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ritual work of the order is performed by the 41 deputies appointed by the state master upon the recommendation of the Pomona Granges. The deputies have held a number of sessions during the week at which the unwritten work was exemplified in an impressive manner by Frank Sherman of Columbia county and F. C. Barnes of Ulster county, assisted by others. Sentiment is still strong in the state that a much closer adherence to the unwritten work of the order is to be the chief concern of the deputies for the coming year. It having been demonstrated that those granges which adhere the nearest to the ritualistic work are the ones which are most enthusiastic and successful.

The election of officers of the Deputy's association resulted as follows: President, E. O. Andrus of Jefferson county; secretary, A. B. Kathamler of Ontario county. Following are the deputies named by State Master Lowell.

Albany, William Hodge, Glenmont.

Cattaraugus, F. N. Godfrey, Olean.



F. J. Riley, Steward.

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Greene, Frank Sherman, Copake. Herkimer, Lester Young, Warren. Jefferson, E. O. Andrus, Watertown. R. D. 2.

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St. Lawrence, A. J. McGow, Gouverneur. Sullivan, David Multhead, Liberty. Ulster, Fred G. Frost, Newark Valley.

Tompkins, F. W. Garner, Trumansburg. Ulster, L. C. Barnes, New Paltz.

Warren, Clarence Crookshank, Glen Falls. Washington, F. D. Vanhook, Hudson Falls.

Westchester, F. H. Leach, Carmel. Wyoming, R. B. Tewksbury, Port Jervis. Yates, C. C. Quinn, Port Jervis.

Not Tender. No, Maude, dear, we very much doubt that you could hurt a catfish by treading on its toes.—Philadelphia Record.

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Yard Office Defeats Engineering Department Wednesday Evening.

On Wednesday night the Yard Office defeated the Engineering Department three straight and increased their standing in the league.

Kniskern was high game man for the evening with 135. Firman high average, 152 2-3.

Yard Office.

Firman	132	146	150	153
Brown	145	154	147	144
Mahon	157	130	126	122
Prindle	124	137	154	145
H. P. Shaw	134	127	156	147

Totals 752 744 742 2239

Team average, 74 1-3.

Engineering Department.

Damaschke	140	171	167	157
Stanton	146	170	155	171
Stefen	105	120	97	252
Cavanaugh	122	129	117	259
Kniskern, sub.				
For Holand	137	139	161	142

Totals 659 711 731 2101

Team average, 700 1-3.

League Standing.

	W.	L.	P.C.
Yard Office	21	9	.700
Round House	23	25	.551
Yard Office	21	24	.467
Freight House	20	25	.444
Engine Dept.	18	29	.386

Tonight the Round House vs. Yard Office at 8 o'clock.

Bowling at Oneonta Club.

Ceperey hung up high individual score for the present tournament. It was not for all tournaments at the Oneonta club last evening when he bowled 254—a record which will not soon be equalled. The score follows, two bowlers being absent one in each team.

Shearer	178	185	149
Laskaris	154	191	153
Matteson	159	141	161

Totals 531 521 455

Gurney 141 156 178

Ceperey 175 177 264

Clark 195 181 178

Totals 511 514 620

Smoking in Japan.

In Japan woman has smoked ever since tobacco was introduced and invariably used the pipe of metal with the tiny bowl holding only sufficient tobacco to provide half a dozen whiffs which was in universal use until the cigarette entered Japan with other western innovations.

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Despondent Over Illnesses of Family, Miss Meehan Hangs Herself.

Seldom has the village of Richfield Springs been so saddened by death as in the death Sunday morning of Miss Catherine Meehan, a teacher in the High school and one of the most beloved young women of the village. Miss Meehan was prepared to attend services at St. Joseph's church, but instead of leaving the house she went to the attic of the house and there placed a rope around her neck, stood on a chair and jumped. A little niece ran to the attic and there found Miss Meehan on the floor, with the rope around her neck and still breathing. Dr. Ward, coroner, was summoned and found that the young woman's neck was dislocated and she only lived a few minutes.

Miss Meehan was born near the village 24 years ago and was graduated from its High school, after which she took up teaching and had proved a very efficient instructor in the local school for the last two years. For some time her mother had been invalid and all winter a brother had been ill. It is believed that these afflictions were on her nerves and during the week the school janitor, Mr. Brown, remembers having seen the young woman act nervous and some-

what strangely. She appeared to be distraught and showed many signs of not being herself. In a conversation with the Rev. Father Kelly Saturday evening, Miss Meehan revealed to him her fear of having a nervous breakdown.

Miss Meehan is survived by her invalid mother, a brother, John Meehan, a lawyer of New York; brothers, Albert and Edward of Ikon, William, Frank and Augustus of Richfield Springs, and a sister, Margaret who teaches at Jordanville.

Times Have Changed.

Little Mildred came home from a day's visit in the home of Little Harriet.

"She was awfully rude to me, mamma," said Mildred. "She talked gross to me, and she wouldn't let me play with her dolls, and she told me her father was richer than mine, and everything."

"Why didn't you come home?" asked the mother. "That's what I should have done if a playmate had treated me that way when I was a little girl."

"Maybe that's what you would have done, mamma," Mildred replied. "But times have changed since you were a little girl. When Harriet acted mean I just slapped her face and stayed."—(Newark News.)

RONAN BROS.

Women's and Misses' Apparel

An Occasion that Allows for the Saving of a Great Many Dollars on Winter's Smartest Styles.

AT \$10.00 THE SEASON PRICE WAS \$15.00 TO \$17.00

Of serge in black and navy blue. Smart plain tailored coat, with full velvet collar to be worn high or low.

AT \$12.50 THE SEASON PRICE WAS \$18.00 TO \$22.50

Of gaberdine, whipcord and mannish serge, in black, navy blue, brown and green. Plain tailored and semi-belted models, with tailored or full collar.

AT \$14.50 THE SEASON PRICE WAS \$25.00 TO \$32.50

Of broadcloth and poplin—all beautifully tailored, some fur-trimmed. Many strictly tailored among the collection.

AT \$5.00 OF FORMER SEASON'S STYLES \$15.00 TO \$25.00

In this assortment there are fifteen suits of former season styles, in black and navy only. Sizes 16 to 42.

Women's Dresses

We direct your attention to an assortment of dresses which are out of the ordinary in both style and value.

AT \$4.95 THE SEASON PRICE WAS \$7.50

Simply cut and plainly tailored, plaid skirt, belted waist, poplin collar and cuffs.

AT \$9.50 THE SEASON PRICE WAS \$12.50

A late model in long waisted effect, many with sashes, all in cuffs; colors, Navy, green, brown and black.

AT \$12.00 THE SEASON PRICE WAS \$16.75

A Betty Wales model, made of finest serge, straight lines with fine plaits, fancy pockets, button trimmed, with collar and cuffs of white broadcloth.

January Waist Sale

Extraordinary values and many attractive styles.

Cotton Voile Waists 69c, 75c, 95c and \$1.00
Silk Net and Lace Waists, were \$3.00, now \$1.98
Flesh and Rose Colored Taffeta Waists, Persian trimmed, were \$3.50, now \$1.98

RONAN BROS.

Mr. Farmer and Stock Raiser

Advanced prices in milk was a step in the right direction. Now if you could cut a part of your expenses 50 per cent that would be step No. 2. Baled shavings for bedding will do this very thing and more. Being dry they make excellent bedding, are highly absorbent and give the stable a clean appearance and smell, and lastly become the most valuable fertilizer known to mankind.

If your dealer does not handle these, inquire of

W. J. Van Cott & Son

The Shoe Store

THAT TEACHES ECONOMY

Shear's Bootery

FORMERLY THE \$1.98 SHOE STORE

231 Main Street Next to Wilber Bank H. Cornell Mgr

Special Clean-Up Sale

At the end of the season, commencing Monday, February 5. We find we have a few more SUITS and OVERCOATS than we should have at this season of the year.

Special on Suits

From all our stock we have taken the odds and ends; the one and two suits remaining of the more popular styles including Kuppenheimer, Michael-Stern & Co., and Stadium Clothes. We will give a special 25 per cent discount for cash.

Special on Overcoats

Never in the history of this great store have we sold so many Overcoats as we have this season. If you could peep into the inside pockets of the majority of the best looking Overcoats in town, you would find the Kuppenheimer, Michael-Stern & Co., and Stadium labels which we will sell at 25 per cent discount for cash.

No Staple Blue or Black Suits Included in This Sale

A few Children's Overcoats included at 25 per cent discount. No Children's Suits in this sale. We have 12 Boys' Ulster Overcoats, ages 15 to 17 years, which we will close out at half price.

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ONEONTA, NEW YORK

SMART BOOTS that win great favor with women who appreciate good footwear. Eight inch Black Kid Boot, medium vamp, plain toe, Louis heel—a very popular street or dress boot.

\$4.00 \$5.00 \$6.00 \$7.00

ALWAYS A LITTLE MORE FOR THE MONEY

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If You Are In the Market For a New Suit, Overcoat Or Rain Coat

Then when it comes to the matter of price, you may well expect the most for your money from this store, for in value-giving we shine the brightest.

Frank E. Hone

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Valentine Novelties

Our line of Valentine Novelties is by far the largest and most varied ever shown in the city. It includes:

Greetings, Post Cards, Bon Bon Caps, Ice Cream Dishes, Nut Cases, Dinner Favors, Tally Cards, Place Cards, Crepe Paper, Paper Napkins

And many other items. Call and inspect the line.

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We have shoes built for his requirements.

There are cheaper shoes, but cheap shoes for a workingman are always a poor proposition.

Ralph W. Murdock SHOES

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What one feature of your home receives any more use or gives as much service and is as vitally important as your plumbing system?

Why not see how dependable, serviceable and efficient it can be made instead of trying to find how "cheap a job" can be installed?

There is a difference between a correctly installed plumbing system and the so-called "plumbing job."

Let us talk it over with you.

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All sold on easy monthly payments.

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You are cordially invited to call or write us.

TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

8 a. m. - - - - - 30
2 p. m. - - - - - 33
8 p. m. - - - - - 35
Maximum 37 Minimum 29

LOCAL MENTION.

An Oversight.

We thank you, Bill, for that one ship and full instructions for the trip (The one each way each week, you know).

And what artistic taste you show! By vivid stripes, three metres wide, Of alternating red and white, Illuminated through the night.

The plans you sent are very fine, But incomplete without the sign, You quite forgot, as I'm alive, "Shave, 20; haircut, 35."

The Pesky Pete.

—S. A. Clinton has sold the house at 27 Fair street to Eugene Riley, who has taken possession.

—Harry Hunter, D. & H. day ticket agent, has returned to his duties at the local station and Mr. Warren has resumed his duties at the Western Union office.

—The funeral of the infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Norman Getman will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the family home, Dr. Russell will officiate and the body will be placed in the vault.

—The funeral of the infant daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Norman W. Getman will be held at the house, 368 Main Street, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The service, which will be private, will be conducted by Rev. Dr. James C. Russell.

—There was a well-attended meeting of St. James guild yesterday at the home of Mrs. P. L. Dibble. The afternoon hours were pleasantly and profitably passed sewing for the hospital, and later delicious light refreshments were served.

—Tickets sold account of the grange convention over the trolley road between Herkimer and intermediate stations and Oneonta which were limited to Friday, February 9, have been extended by John W. Nugent and are good returning on Saturday, February 10.

CO. G RELIEF CONTRIBUTIONS.

Many Donations Received Yesterday—Strand Offered for Benefit.

Up to last evening the sum of \$1,055.55 had been received by the president and treasurer of the Company G relief fund. Money in large and small amounts is being received by every mail, and the outlook is for a very substantial sum before the end of the week. The contributions received indicate that the fund makes a strong appeal not only to the wealthy and the comfortably well-to-do, but to those of moderate or even of limited means. It is hoped that the public generally will give the matter consideration and send in such sums as they are able to. Owen C. Becker, president, or R. C. Briggs, treasurer of the committee, Manager Gregory of the Strand theatre has generously offered his theatre to the committee free of charge for a benefit entertainment. His offer has been thankfully accepted by the committee, and more complete announcement will be made at an early date.

Meetings Today.

Oneonta camp, No. 22, Order of the Golden Seal, in I. O. O. F. hall, Chestnut street, initiation.

Members of the Royal Rebekah lodge, No. 151, will meet today at 1:30 p. m., at Odd Fellows' temple, to attend the funeral of Sister Dickinson's mother.

All King's Heralds will meet in the Methodist Episcopal church parlors at 1:45 p. m. today to attend the funeral of Mrs. John S. Smith.

Oneonta circle, No. 245, P. H. C., will meet this evening at 8 o'clock. Initiation. The wardrobe will be disposed of.

Baraca class of West End mission at chapel at 8 p. m. Rehearsal for mock trial. Full attendance desired.

W. C. T. U. Attention.

All members of the W. C. T. U. are requested to meet at headquarters today at 1:30 o'clock sharp to attend the funeral of Mrs. John Smith.

Woman's Club.

The Shakespeare class will not meet this afternoon.

Attention.

M. G. Lowenstein, the practical scientific optician and optometrist, is here today and will remain tomorrow at 27 Pine street. All adjustments of spectacles and eyeglasses made by him are warranted to give perfect satisfaction; remember the dates. advt 11

Fresh Fish, Oysters and Clams.

Bullheads, halibut, cod, Spanish mackerel, herring, smelts, king mackerel, butterfish, haddock, salmon, Boston blue. Phone 596-J—all delivered. Market open Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. advt 11

Eagles.

During the absence of Dr. Augustin, the acrobatic physician, the needs of our members will be supplied by A. W. Cutler, M. D., 28 Watkins avenue. L. D. Slade, president. advt 21

Lost—Billbook containing money and papers. Finder return to Star office and receive reward.

Horses For Sale.

Both western and native. Fred M. Baker. advt 31

Unecda Biscuit, three packages 10c at Flinigan's grocery. advt 21

Wanted—Fifty gallons of fancy maple syrup, Palmer's grocery. advt 31

TO CONTEST EASTON WILL

DAUGHTER WILL SEEK TO HAVE INSTRUMENT REFUSED PROBATE.

Her Offense Causing Parental Displeasure Being That She Sought Her Share in Funds Recovered from D. & H. Company — Judgment Entered in Her Action Against Father.

Announcement was made yesterday by Hon. William H. Johnson that his client, Hazel Peck, is preparing to contest the will of her father, the late Edwin L. Easton, the estate, barring minor legacies, being willed to his brother and older sister. The grounds of the contest were not disclosed. The first hearing is announced for Cooperstown on Monday next.

The cause of parental displeasure, which resulted in her receiving a trifling legacy, is attributed to the fact that some time after the claim of the estate against the D. & H. company had been settled for \$1,500 and the father had received the payment, less the \$1,350 paid the attorneys, or \$150, she inquired of her father if she were not to receive a share of the sum recovered. He replied in the negative, declaring that it belonged to himself and himself alone. When she informed him that she had been advised that she was entitled to two-thirds of the amount, he ordered her, according to her version, from the hotel and directed her never to address him again. She followed his orders and he changed his will and the beneficiary of his life insurance.

She then brought action for her share in the \$1,500 and Judge Cladding of Norwich, who heard the suit, reported and the judgment was entered the day before Mr. Easton died. It directs a judgment for the daughter of two-thirds of the net amount received from the railroad company. It also provides "that by reason of the defendant receiving and using said \$1,500 as his own, depositing the same in his own name and not as executor, treating the same as belonging solely to himself and using the same or some portion thereof in his business, the plaintiff herein is entitled to interest upon such two-thirds thereof from the time the said defendant received the same."

It further provides "That by reason of the said defendant's claim that the whole of the said \$1,500 belong to him and his denial of the plaintiff's right therein and that she was entitled to any part thereof, the plaintiff was justified in commencing this action to establish her rights therein and should be allowed costs of this action and such costs are awarded the said Hazel Peck."

The full amount of the judgment with interest and costs is \$2,446.95 and the judgment is now recorded.

BASKETBALL TONIGHT.

Ellen H. S. vs. Oneonta H. S. and Normal Girls vs. High School Girls.

Tonight at the High school gymnasium, the Oneonta High school basketball team will clash with the strong team of the Ellen High school.

There will also be another game between the O. H. S. girls team and the girls team of the State Normal school. The Oneonta boys, after being defeated last week, are determined to win this game. They will have their regular line-up and the players are all in good condition to meet the invading team. The O. H. S. girls have been practicing hard of late and feel confident that they can win their game. The girls' game will commence at 7:30 sharp and the boys' game will follow. Dancing will then be enjoyed.

At the Suffrage Rest Rooms.

There was more than the usual good attendance yesterday afternoon at the Suffrage rest rooms at 111 Main street, and unusual interest in the work was also shown by the visitors, many of whom were from the State Grange. Delicious light refreshments were served and there was a fine musical program by Miss Ethel M. Rowe and Miss Edith Smith.

Today the rest rooms will again be open in the afternoon. Tea and sandwiches will be served and there will be a musical program with Paul Jackson as soloist and Jackson Fennar as accompanist. It is hoped that the rest rooms will be liberally patronized during the last day of the grange meeting.

Secretary Collier Here.

Paul S. Collier, formerly secretary of the Oneonta Chamber of Commerce, now occupying a similar position with the New York State Retail Lumber Dealers' association with headquarters in Rochester, was in the city yesterday in conference with Roscoe C. Briggs, the president, and calling upon friends or a portion of them, for they are far too many for one day's opportunities.

Strand Theatre Today.

Billie Burke is nearing the close of her engagement here and keeps on doing the unexpected. Among her doings today she takes her father's private yacht and captures Trask. You will enjoy all of the two reels even if you have not seen it all; also the feature picture of six reels "The Palace of the King," a large feature picture. Matinee and evening, admission 10 cents.

Twenty-five Horses For Sale.

Consisting of western and native ones, weight from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds. Matched pairs and single ones suitable for all use. Prices very reasonable. Next regular auction Friday at 2 p. m. H. W. Sheldon, 266½ Main street, Oneonta, N. Y. advt 21

Masquerade ball will be held in Grant's hall, Hobart, February 9.

Dancing \$1.00. Spectators 25c. Mead's orchestra of Arkville will furnish music. All are invited. advt 31

Notice to Retail Dealers.

We have several tons of fine yellow onions for sale. Get our price before buying elsewhere. John R. Todd, Oneonta. advt 31

COLORED BALL BIG SUCCESS.

Entertainment for McDonald's Band Receives Liberal Patronage.

The entertainment and ball for the benefit of McDonald's colored band, held last evening in Municipal hall, was by far the best attended and in every way the most successful affair of the nature ever held by Oneonta's colored population. There has always been a fine program of song and dance at the annual assembly, yet the selections rendered by the various artists last night were far and away the best yet produced.

Mr. Toussaint of Norwich, a bass soloist of wide reputation, sustained his previous record of splendid performances, and the Patella family, in their songs and dances were also entertainers of rare quality. Clifford Price of New York has a little sketch all his own—a medley of songs, dances, and artistic work with the bones—which won prolonged applause.

To pick a winner for the cake walk was no easy matter, each duo performing with a grace that made a choice of premier honors a difficult task, but the volume of applause finally decided the judges in favor of Mr. Toussaint and Mrs. Patella, with Miss Ada Williams and Charles Jackson securing second honors.

At the conclusion of the entertainment chairs were removed from the hall and dancing was then enjoyed till the wee sma' hours of the morning to the excellent music furnished by Colburn's orchestra.

The task of arranging this affair for the benefit of the colored band fell to David Harris, who as usual acquitted himself with distinction. The McDonald's will net a tidy sum from the receipts of the affair and Manager Harris is deeply appreciative of the generous support of the public in making it such an unqualified success.

SUFFRAGISTS PATRIOTIC.

New York State Pledges Governor Active Support.

The following declaration of willingness to aid should war break has been adopted by the executive board of the New York state Woman Suffrage party:

Whereas, a serious crisis confronts our nation and the European war has shown that the services of women in war as in peace are essential to the life of the nation, and

Whereas, the basis of the suffrage movement is love of country and a desire to serve most effectively, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the New York State Woman Suffrage party, through its executive board, do hereby offer to the governor of this state for any work which he may designate, its full organization, in every assembly district of this state, consisting of more than half a million women. And this we do, as loyal American citizens, and especially as woman suffragists organized and trained in co-operation and service.

LADIES' DAY AT THE THEATRE.

Princess Leone Will Give a Special Matinee for Ladies Only Today.

There will be a matinee today at the Oneonta theatre for ladies only, positively no men admitted. Many were the expressions of praise at the close of last night's performance, to say the audience was pleased would be putting it mildly. Princess Leone displayed marvelous powers in her work and notwithstanding that she was blindfolded and with her back to the audience called many names and made many other mystifying revelations too numerous to mention. The feature picture offered today is a five-act World feature, "The Scarlet Oath," with the talented Gail Kane in the stellar role. This is a powerful Russian drama which carries us from one continent to another with a thrill in every foot of the way. Matinee 2:15, evening 7:15-9.

"The Girl Without a Chance."

There are real thrills taken from real life, that will bring to our own personal mind things that have happened during our life time, that will cause us to stop and think and see where we were in the wrong more ways than one. The scenic effects are all new to the theatre going public. This irresistible story will cause us all to wonder, and is one that every mother should see and then they will understand how hard it is for an honest girl, who is thrown on her own resources, to get along.

So don't fail to see the dramatic sensation of the day, "The Girl Without a Chance," which comes to the Oneonta theatre Monday, matinee and evening, and you will leave the theatre with nothing but words of praise for the play. Matinee 25 and 50 cents, evening 25, 50 and 75 cents. Seats now on sale for the evening performance.

Girls and women wanted.

Clean, light work in knitting mill. Healthful working conditions and good wages. Girls paid while learning. New boarding house just completed. Board reasonable. Also eight new dwelling houses with garden spot for working families. Water rates free. Rents low. Address Supt. Utica Knitting company, Richfield Springs, N. Y. advt 21

For sale—Fifty shares of the capital stock of the Second National bank of Cooperstown.

In order to effect a quick sale will sell at twenty points below its book value, as per last government report. George I. Wilber, Oneonta, N. Y. advt 11

For Sale.

New house, all improvements, central location; lot 50x270; \$3,400. Easy terms; also Normal rooming, finest location; big money maker. Campbell Bros. Phone 226-J. advt 11

Homer DeMars, the well known and efficient barber, has taken a position in the Ogden barber shop in the Y. M. C. A. building, making this a three-chair shop. advt 61

WOOL POPLIN

A fabric for your Spring wardrobe, one of the most favored weaves spoken of in advance fashion notes, is the wool poplin. A potent reason for the popularity of this weave is its adaptability to the coming season's fashions, possessing body enough to hold its shape and yet may be artistically draped without being cumbersome—a feature many woolen fabrics do not possess. Furthermore, this weave shows to great advantage in the many new and distinct shadings for the Spring wear. Plum, Burgundy, Navy, Brown and Black. Some excellent values are to be obtained in this section of the woolen dress goods.

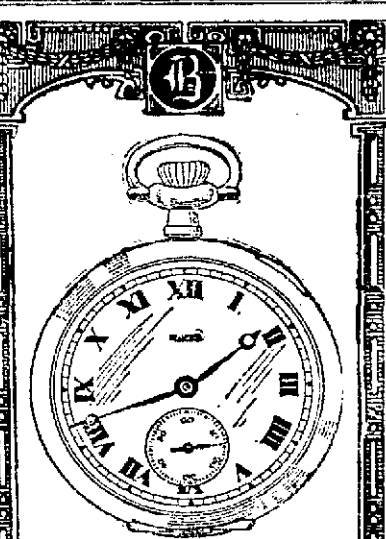
REMNANTS.

We have finished taking inventory and going through the various stocks, we throw out many remnants in the following materials:

SILKS—WOOLENS—COTTONS.

These remnants we have marked at a price which will effect a speedy clearance. They may be found during the remainder of this week on the aisle tables.

Main Street M. GURNEY & SONS, Inc. Oneonta, N. Y.



The Hallmark Watch for Men

The Hallmark Watch is guaranteed perfect in construction and accurate timekeeper.

The 17-jeweled, adjusted grade is carefully made and a thoroughly reliable watch.

Call at my store and let me tell you in detail the history of the Hallmark watch.

The price of this grade is

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Our display of Potted Plants is now very nice, we have Cineraria, Begonia, Cyclamen, Primula, Primrose, Azalea, etc.

Carnations and Roses

Special Attention to Funeral Designs.

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42 Piece Decorated Dinner Sets at \$3.25 Each.

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30c per pound

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- Fancy Large Grapefruit, thin skinned and juicy, dozen 75c
- Good, Extra Heavy, Small Grapefruit, a dozen 40c
- Choice Lemons, two dozen 25c
- Navel Oranges, 16 for 25c

- Best Bananas, dozen 25c
- Fancy Strawberries, basket 40c
- Boston Head Lettuce, Tomatoes, Celery, Green Peppers, Brussels Sprouts, Parsnips, Sweet Potatoes, Onions.

- Western Beef, All Cuts.
- Plate Beef, lb. 12 to 14c
- Shoulder Beef, lb. 18 to 20c
- Best Round Steak, lb. 20c
- Fresh Hamburg Steak, lb. 18c
- Native Pig Pork, All Cuts.
- All Pork Sausage, lb. 20c
- Pig Livers, 3 lbs. 25c
- Best Bacon, lb. 21c
- Corned Beef and Cabbage.
- Fancy fresh killed Poultry.

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ONEONTA, N. Y.

PERSONALS.

Miss Leda Burke is visiting friends in Delhi for a few weeks.
Attorney J. P. Thompson departed yesterday on business errands at Candor.
George Lovett, cashier of the Schenectady National bank was in the city yesterday.
Mrs. S. P. Smith of 13 High street spent Thursday with friends in Richmondville.
Mr. and Mrs. William Finch of Maryland were business callers in the city yesterday.
H. O. Sullivan of the Elster & Delaware road was in the city yesterday on business errands.
Ellis Walker of New Berlin arrived in the city yesterday afternoon for a brief visit with relatives.
Miss Doris E. Bailey of Jeffersonville is visiting her home in this city and attending the George convention.
Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Snyder of Rosebush were in Oneonta yesterday attending the State George convention.
Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Roberts of East Meredith are visiting their daughter, Mrs. George E. Moore, Church street.
H. L. A. Gibbs of Maplewood, N. J., spent Wednesday with his sister, Mrs. Eugene G. Edwards of Columbia street.
Among other callers in the city yesterday from Worcester were Mrs. P. F. Crippen, George Crippen, and M. Muller.
Mrs. C. F. Freeman returned last evening to her home in Carlondale, Pa., after sojourning a week with Oneonta relatives.
Mrs. Clarence Edgett and Miss Pauline Aufnuth of Fly Creek are guests of Mrs. P. H. Breese, 8 Maple street, for a few days.
Alton VanTassel of Treadwell, Delaware county's superintendent of highways, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Naylor of West Laurens are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Carr and attending the George convention.
Former Surrogate L. M. Cowles of Unadilla and James P. Friery of Schenectady were among the attorneys before Surrogate Huntington yesterday.
Dr. Amelia Angur, who for a few days had been a guest at the home of John W. Bowdish in this city, returned yesterday to her home in Endicott.
L. H. Townsend, who has been spending the week in New York city attending a large convention of hardware dealers, is expected to return tomorrow.
George B. Crippen and Madison H. Muller, president and vice president respectively of the Bank of Worcester, were business visitors in the city yesterday.
Miss Laura Hatcher departed yesterday afternoon for Schenectady, where she will attend the Junior Prom festivities of Union university as a guest at the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house.
Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Martindale and granddaughter, Marion Coon, of Otego, were in Oneonta yesterday on their way to Milford, where they will be guests at the home of Charles Martindale.
George Miller, formerly with the Wilber National bank and now holding a position with the Burroughs Adding Machine company, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon for a brief sojourn with friends.
Dr. and Mrs. Edson J. Parley left yesterday afternoon for Schenectady, where Dr. Parley will officiate at the funeral of the wife of Rev. R. C. Penny, pastor of the First Baptist church of Schenectady.
Mrs. Willis G. Mitchell, who had been in Oneonta for a few days as representative of the Suffrage party at the State George, departed yesterday for her home in Hudson Falls. Tomorrow she will be in New York city in the interests of the Suffrage party.
Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Hanks departed yesterday for Everett, Pa., when for the next week they will be guests of relatives and friends at their old home. Later they will be in Philadelphia, Pa., and in New York city for a few days, returning to Oneonta in about two weeks.
Jaime Alker, a well known and long time resident, is critically ill at his home on upper Main street and it is feared that he cannot long survive. His son, Jesse, has arrived from New Palis, but the daughter, Mrs. Emils, is in London and is not expected to return for the present.
The condition of Henry Bull is such as to give his physician and friends anxiety as to the outcome, although reports usually alarming are current. Dr. Arthur W. Cutler was called in consultation yesterday. The grip has left him greatly weakened and with his heart affected. Dr. Cutler agreed that he could suggest nothing additional to be done and advised careful attendance to the treatment and counsel of the attending physician. Many friends will hope for a speedy return of his wanted strength.

PERSONALS.
Wanted—A few pairs of one hundred shares of the Capital stock of the Wilber National Bank of Oneonta, N. Y., at \$5.00 per share, which is five points above its book value as per last government report. George L. Wilber, Oneonta, N. Y. Adv. 17

Give me 24. This is Wellman, have you any more of that bright, clean coal that you sent me last month? Then please fill my bin as it was the most satisfactory we have had in a long time and we want to start the new year right. Adv. 17

Ira S. Sweet, practical house painter at the Windsor, Oneonta, March 1, Eagle, Newburgh, March 1, Adv. 17

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Wanted 200 bushels of potatoes. Will pay \$1.00 per bushel. If possible, please deliver at Oneonta. Adv. 17

We want potatoes. If you have them please call on me and see us. Parish & Keenan, 6 Broad street, Oneonta. Adv. 17

Money to loan on real estate, mortgage security. Inquire at law office of Edson A. Hayward, 19 Elm street. Adv. 17

Florida, Bermuda, West Indies, low rates. Ask C. H. Bowdish. Adv. 17

OBITUARY.

Mrs. John W. Shiland.
Mary L. Forman, wife of John W. Shiland whose death at the family home at Oneonta Plains was noticed briefly in The Star of yesterday, was born at Bloomville, September 21, 1860, the daughter of Samuel H. and Abella Forman. Her marriage to Mr. Shiland occurred September 22, 1885, and they continued to reside at Bloomville until 1910, when her health having become impaired they removed to Oneonta, remaining in the city until the spring of 1912, when they purchased the Willard Jones farm at the Plains adjoining the Pony farm, where they have since resided.
Mrs. Shiland has been failing since 1905 and while she appeared to gain and did increase in weight after their arrival here, the tubercular trouble which caused her death was not eradicated and she has steadily failed since they removed to the plains. Heart trouble was also complicated with the tuberculosis.
Surviving are her husband, two children, Jayson and Laura E., and her aged parents residing at Bloomville. The mother is in poor health. Mrs. Shiland had long been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and she was a member of the Plains church at the time of her death. Her faith in the reality of divine things was supreme and among her last assurances to her husband was a feeble effort to repeat the passage, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil for thou art with me."
There will be a brief prayer service from the home this Friday evening, at 8 o'clock, conducted by Dr. T. F. Hall of the city church with which she was formerly affiliated. The body will be taken to Bloomville on the morning train Saturday and the more extended service will be held from the Methodist church of that village with the pastor there officiating and with interment in the local cemetery there.

Funeral of Mrs. Silliman.
The funeral of the late Mrs. Isaac Silliman was held yesterday afternoon at her home, 23 Gilbert street, in this city. The service was conducted by Rev. D. H. Woodward of the West End mission, who, taking for his theme the words of Christ in John 14-12, beginning "Let not your hearts be troubled," preached a sermon full of faith and of blessed assurance. Two hymns, "Something We'll Understand," and "Nearer My God to Thee," were sung by a choir consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Miller, Mrs. James Barnes and Mr. Johnson of the West End mission. There was a profusion of beautiful flowers, including tributes from the Oneonta grange, the Moose and the mission. Marvin Edmunds, Leroy Murphy, George Austin and Fred Frindle, sons-in-law of the deceased, acted as bearers and the body was placed in the vault at Riverside for interment later at Franklin.

Among the friends and relatives present from out of the city were Mrs. Florence Pendlebury of Sidney, Mrs. George Tubbs of Milford, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Silliman of Schenectady, P. B. Silliman of Cooperstown Junction, Frank Pomeroy and Mrs. Ella Pomeroy of Franklin, Mrs. Ellen Griswold of East Sidney and Layman Kimball of Unadilla.

Funeral of Henry Vetter Jr.
The funeral of the late Henry Vetter Jr., whose accidental death was told in The Star of yesterday, was held last evening from his late home, Rev. J. C. Trauger, who officiated at his wedding about two years ago, officiated and the body will be taken to his wife's family home near Downsville for interment, leaving on the 10:25 o'clock train today. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vetter sr., of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., were in attendance at the funeral, as were also a delegation of trustees representing D. Hopkins lodge, which organization also sent a floral tribute in addition to those contributed by individual friends and the employees of the Riverside Manufacturing company. A delegation of trustees will accompany the funeral party to the station.

Oneonta Club Nominations.
The nominating committee of the Oneonta club has placed the following list before the organization for ratification:
President—M. C. Hemstreet
First Vice President—A. S. Morris.
Second Vice President—H. W. Lee.
Secretary—Treasurer—L. H. Atwell.
Board of Governors—M. C. Hemstreet, H. W. Lee, A. S. Morris, J. L. Matteson, A. E. Coperley, L. H. Townsend, P. M. Gurney, O. C. Becker and Edward Crippen.

To Meet in Ulen.
The biennial session of the New York State Universalist Ministers' institute will be held in the church of the Reformation at Ulen, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Rev. L. C. Nichols of Oneonta is president, and Rev. H. T. Kearns of Bunkhamton vice president and secretary.

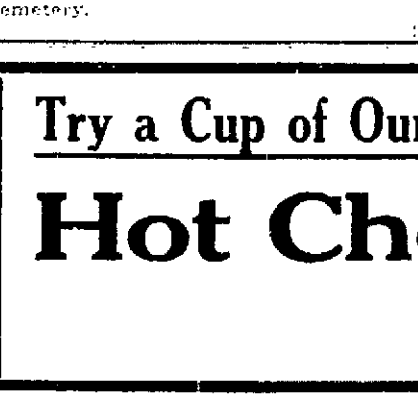
Births.
Born, February 8, to Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Park, 9 South Sand street, a son, Paul, Monday, February 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Armstrong, a 6 1/2 pound son, Robert Allen.

Parson's store opened for business Wednesday morning at 54 South Main street, around the corner from Prospect street. Adv. 17

DEATHS.

Robert Eldred.
Laurens, Feb. 8.—Robert Eldred, practically a life-long resident of this town, died Thursday morning at 11:30 o'clock, following a week's illness due to pneumonia. Mr. Eldred, who was born in the town of Laurens, was 59 years of age, and his entire life, with the exception of a few years passed in Schuyler Lake with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Eldred, was spent in this vicinity.
He was united in marriage with Ruth Babcock in 1899, and she with one daughter, Clara Eldred, survive. He also leaves to mourn his death his mother, Mrs. Polly Eldred; one sister, Mrs. Amy Roberts, and one brother, Nathan Eldred, all of the town of Laurens.
The funeral will be held from his late home Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock, Rev. K. E. Austin of the Methodist Episcopal church officiating. Interment will be made in the Laurens cemetery.

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TO RENT—House at 55 Maple street, all improvements, large garden. Inquire Q. B. 11th street.

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FOR RENT—Good house with garage and bath, 110 per month, 11th street, 110 per month.

TO RENT—House at 10 Elmhurst street, Inquire at 10 Elmhurst street.

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FOR RENT—37 Grand street, desirable six room flat, all improvements, rent reasonable. Inquire Boston street, 114 Main street.

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TO RENT—House at 22 Otsego street, Phone 280-J or call at 83 Center street.

TO RENT—From February 1, six room flat, 40 Main street, modern improvements, Inquire on premises, or phone 110-J.

TO RENT—House at 38 Cherry street, upper and lower flat, all improvements and bath, Inquire 11th street, 110 per month.

TO RENT—House 21 Forest avenue, Inquire E. H. Chase, Municipal building, Phone 27-W.

TO RENT—Flat at 25 Division street, Phone 475-J.

TO RENT—A new seven room bungalow, all improvements, Inquire 11th street, 110 per month.

TO RENT—Ten room house, 7 Spring street, Inquire 11th street, 110 per month.

TO RENT—Flat of seven rooms, all improvements, Inquire of Danney & Widen, 11th street.

TO RENT—House for small family, 25 Center street, convenient to shops, Inquire M. A. Fraser, 11th street.

FOR SALE.

A REAL BARGAIN—Owing to removal from town, must sell new 7-room house and bath, 11th street, all improvements, Inquire 11th street, 110 per month.

FOR SALE—CHEAP—Large parlor stove and six foot open range, 11th street, 110 per month.

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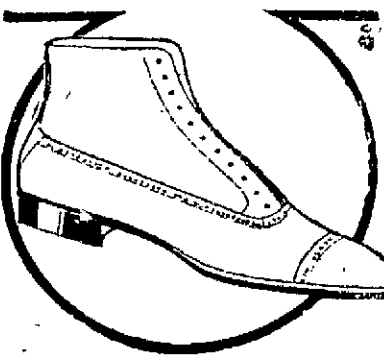
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Special Offers for Today's Sale

\$1.25 Black Petticoats 98c
 Serge Dresses, pretty styles \$4.90 and \$9.00
 \$2.00 Shirt Waists \$1.50
 New Lawn Waists for \$1.00 and \$1.25
 \$15.00 Coats for \$9.00
 \$4.00 Dress Skirts \$3.50
 \$12.00 Tailored Suits \$4.98
 \$6.00 Dress Skirts \$4.98
 Many good values in Hosiery at 15c, two for 25c
 Burson Hose at the old price 25c
 Children's Hose, 15c and 25c. Splendid value, old price.
 Just received, shipment of Trimmed Hats from a house in New York city that is classed at the most capable authorities on Fifth avenue.



Rout 'Em Out Sale



THIS sale is just as we planned it—a huge success. The fact that we are selling good dependable footwear at extremely low prices when shoes and leather are so high, has attracted hundreds. A few items that did not appear in our large ad of Wednesday:

Children's Slippers 69c
 Women's Slippers 49c
 Men's Slippers 49c
 Infant's Shoes 89c
 Children's Shoes 98c
 Men's one-buckle Jersey
 Arctics, \$2.00 value ... \$1.49

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SIMON'S CLOTHES SHOP

We are showing advance Spring Models in Dresses, Suits, Coats and Waists, in great variety of styles and colorings.



Miss Spring Appearing in Taffeta.
 The model shown is made of chiffon taffeta, collar lapel and pockets embroidered with a geometric vest and over collar as shown, sleeves and front finished with button and buckle.
\$10.00

Advertising--
 THE RIGHT KIND
Pays

Jump from Bed in Morning and Drink Hot Water

Tells why everyone should drink hot water each morning before breakfast.

Why is man and woman, half the time, feeling nervous, despondent, worried; some days headachy, dull and unstrung; some days really incapacitated by illness.
 If we all would practice inside-bathing, what a gratifying change would take place. Instead of thousands of half-sick, anaemic-looking souls with pasty, muddy complexions we should see crowds of happy, healthy, rosy-cheeked people everywhere. The reason is that the human system does not rid itself each day of all the waste which it accumulates under our present mode of living. For every ounce of food and drink taken into the system nearly an ounce of waste material must be carried out, else it ferments and forms ptomaine-like poisons which are absorbed into the blood.
 Just as necessary as it is to clean the ashes from the furnace each day, before the fire will burn bright and hot, so we must each morning clear the inside organs of the previous day's accumulation of indigestible waste and body toxins. Men and women, whether sick or well, are advised to drink each morning, before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it, as a harmless means of washing out of the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the indigestible material, waste, sour bile and toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach.
 Millions of people who had their turn at constipation, bilious attacks, acid stomach, nervous days and sleepless nights have become real cranks about the morning inside-bath. A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will not cost much at the drug store, but is sufficient to demonstrate to anyone, its cleansing, sweetening and freshening effect upon the system.

TAUGHT BY A WORM.

This Lowly Creature Suggested the First Submarine Tunnel.
 The first great under water tunnel was built beneath the Thames at London by Sir Mark Isambard Brunel. Brunel was one of the most prolific inventors of his time, and he was a pioneer in many lines, but the Thames tunnel is his greatest memorial.
 It was a worm which suggested to Brunel the possibility of a tunnel under the Thames. While passing through a dockyard he noticed a piece of ship timber perforated by a destructive worm—the Teredo Navalis. Brunel studied the worm's mode of operation in boring into the wood, and this suggested to his mind the construction of a cast iron shield which should bore like an auger by means of strong hydraulic screws, and as rapidly as the earth was cut away bricklayers should be at hand to replace it with an arch.
 The work on the Thames tunnel commenced in 1825, and after many vicissitudes and no little it was completed in 1843, when Brunel was knighted by Queen Victoria. Brunel was also the first to make shoes by machinery, and he devised machines for knitting, nail-making, ruling paper and making wooden boxes. In his youth Brunel spent several years in America, designed and built a theater in New York and planned fortifications for the city—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

CHIC MODEL.

This Chinese Effect Is For Midwinter Wear.
 Oriental in design and blue velvet in fabric, this smart hat takes a deep



band of stitchery on its flaring brim. Nothing can be faultier than the tie and pose of the velvet bow which sits atop the round crown.

Early Marriages.
 Dr. William Lee Howard is authority for the statement that if a girl marries at sixteen her offspring are apt to be totally unfitted to struggle with the problems of the world. At the age of twenty-one she may give birth to at least one child of high efficiency, but those that were born before or after will be unfit. When parents are too young, the girl under twenty-one and the man under twenty-seven, the offspring are too often delicate, and constipation and liver are common among the offspring of too young parents.
 A French authority declared that the ideal age for parenthood is thirty-three years in men and twenty-six years in women.

When making gingerbread collect all the odd bits of cooked fruits and jelly in the pantry and mix them in the batter. This will add a good flavor.

KILLED WIFE NINE DAYS AGO

MIDDLEBURG MAN HELD FOR FIRST DEGREE MURDER.

Young Wife Complained of Waste of Time and Thunted Husband of Inability to Shoot.

Middleburg, Feb. 8. — The killing of Mrs. Lawrence DeCater on Jan. 29, at first related as an accidental shooting, is now revealed, according to District Attorney Clyde H. Proper, as a nasty but deliberate murder, and the husband, only 25 years old, is held in the Schoharie county jail at Schoharie on the first degree charge. The hearing was held here yesterday before Justice Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Earls, neighbors of the DeCaters, and their young son were at the DeCater home when Mrs. DeCater was shot down. Earls and DeCater had gone hunting after Mrs. DeCater had protested in the morning that money should not be spared for a hunting license and shells, and that further the time should be spent at actual work. It was on the testimony of Earls and his wife, at last induced to tell the real story of the day, that DeCater was held.

When DeCater and he came back from their hunting trip, Earls said he insisted on DeCater removing the load from his gun, as he was afraid that the small boy might fool with the weapon. Earls says that DeCater did as he asked, and that the two then went into the house.

The first thing that Mrs. DeCater asked, said Earls at the hearing, was if they had shot anything. DeCater replied that they had not shot anything, and Mrs. DeCater then twitted him about his ability as a hunter by saying, "You never could shoot anything."

"I'll show you whether I can shoot," Earls says DeCater replied, and he threw a shell into the shotgun and aimed at his wife. Earls said there was a crash, and Mrs. DeCater fell to the floor with the blood gushing from a hole made by the shot in her forehead. Earls said that the shooting occurred just about dark, and that the lamp which Mrs. DeCater had huddled was blown out by the concussion.

It was brought out at the hearing that the DeCaters were very poor, and that the 16-year-old wife had repeatedly told her husband that because of her delicate condition she would have to have more food and more clothes. The DeCaters were married last September. Mrs. DeCater was formerly from Cobleskill and at the time of her marriage her father and mother gave their consent.

District Attorney Clyde H. Proper examined the witnesses at the hearing.

DeCater when married was on parole from the Elmira reformatory and had also served at Blackwell's Island. He has been arrested many times in this village, and his brother, Melvin DeCater, is now serving four months in the county jail for adultery, having pleaded guilty.

The body of the murdered woman was placed in a vault at Cobleskill two days after the shooting. This afternoon Coroner F. P. Beard, a physician at Cobleskill, and Dr. H. J. Wright of Schoharie are holding an autopsy.

A hearing was held for the grand jury, which meets the middle of April. It has seldom worked, and when he did it was as a farm hand.

"SAFETY FIRST IN BANKING."

Extract from Speech of Superintendent of Banks Eugene Richards.

Following is from a speech upon "Safety First in Banking," delivered by Eugene Lamb Richards, state superintendent of banks, at a meeting of Group 4 of the New York State Banking Association, held at Rome on Nov. 11 last.

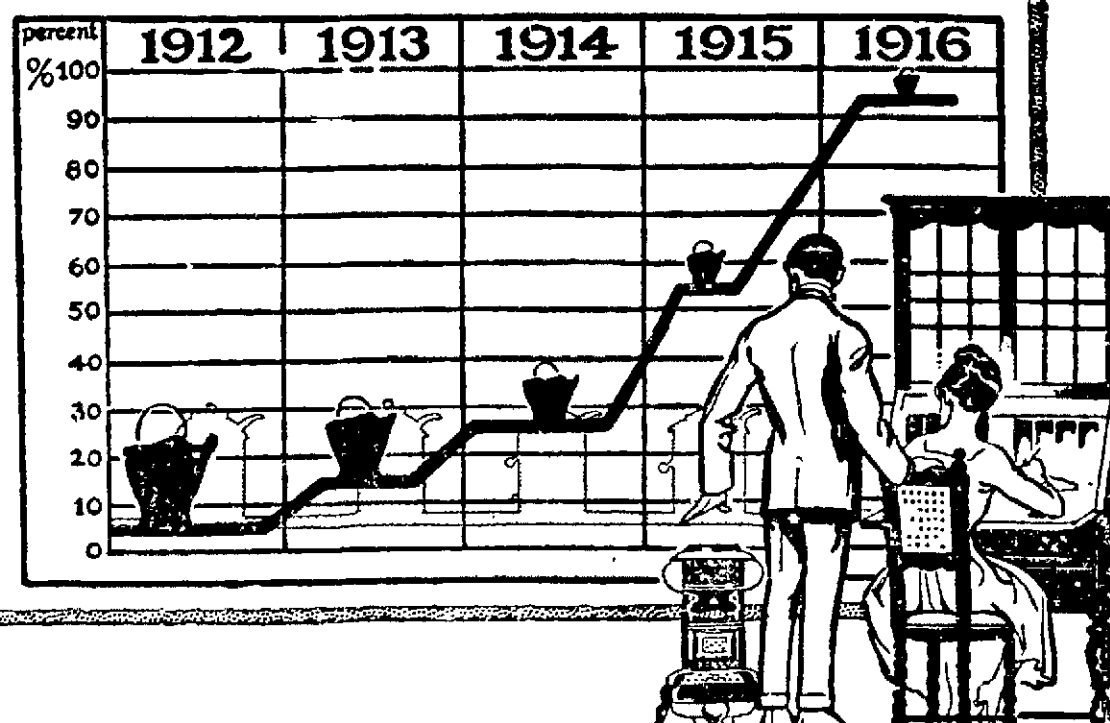
"There is in the city of New York a commercial bank whose stock is worth more than that of any other banking corporation in the world. It pays no interest on deposits, but it gives such complete and adequate service to its depositors in the way of collections, advice, information and courtesies that they are more than satisfied to remain with the bank. The result is that, even in the face of keen competition for deposits by paying interest, the deposits of this bank have practically kept pace with the times. Its depositors are content with safety and service; for the bank's surplus renders it as safe as the Bank of England and possibly a little safer.

"How much better this system, how much safer for the public and the depositors than stammering every nerve to get deposits at high prices at a time when easy money may make a large interest to depositors a menace to safety. Large deposits with added expense and little profit are worse than mere window dressing in the front of a store. They are more than a costly form of advertising. They are dangerous.

"It is doubly important that we should face these problems here and now and not put off the day of solution. With the constantly increasing wealth of this country and with the continued importance of our banking position in the world, and faced as we are with the temptations of extravagance and expansion, we should take stock now of our banking conditions and methods and prepare to meet the responsibilities which both the present continuance and the future discontinuance of the war will necessarily involve."

The Sailors' Psalm.

How many people—landmen, at all events—are aware that one of the Psalms is often called the sailors' psalm?
 It is, of course, Psalm cxi, wherein occur the beautiful and familiar words, "Thou that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters, these see the works of the Lord and his wonders in the deep."
 The psalm is usually read as part of the simple services which take place on Sundays on ships at sea. For that reason it is known as the sailors' psalm. London Chronicle



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Special Rates to Oneonta on Southern New York for State Grange.

Special excursion fares to Oneonta, and return on account of New York State Grangers' annual meetings to be held at Oneonta February 8 to 9. Reduced fares shown below will be good going to Oneonta on 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th, and returning good on all trains on the 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th.

From	To and Return	Fare
Mohawk	Oneonta	\$1.65
Henderson	Oneonta	1.45
Jordanville	Oneonta	1.35
Richfield Spr.	Oneonta	1.20
Schuyler Lake	Oneonta	1.00
Fly Creek	Oneonta	.85
Index	Oneonta	.70
Cooperstown	Oneonta	.70
Hartwick	Oneonta	.60
Mt. Vision	Oneonta	.50

Tickets will be good on all trains for going and returning on the above mentioned dates. To secure above rates passengers must purchase tickets before entering cars. No reduction will be given on cash fare paid to conductor.

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If what you just ate is boursing on your stomach or has like a lump of lead, refusing to digest, or you belch gas and eructate sour, undigested food, or have a feeling of dizziness, heartburn, fullness, nausea, bad taste in mouth and stomach headache, you can surely get relief in five minutes.

Ask your pharmacist to show you the formula, plainly printed on these fifty-cent boxes of Pape's Diapepsin, then you will understand why dyspeptic troubles of all kinds must go, and why it relieves, sour, out-of-order stomachs or indigestion in five minutes. "Pape's Diapepsin" is harmless, tastes like candy, though each dose will digest and prepare for assimilation into the blood all the food you eat. Besides, it makes you go to the table with a healthy appetite; but what will please you most, is that you will feel that your stomach and intestines are clean and fresh, and you will not need to resort to laxatives or liver pills for biliousness or constipation. This city will have many "Pape's Diapepsin" cranks, as some people will call them, but you will be enthusiastic about this splendid stomach preparation, too, if you ever take it for indigestion, gases, heartburn, sourness, dyspepsia, or any stomach misery. Get some now, this minute, and rid yourself of stomach misery and indigestion in five minutes.

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While in the city visit our store, where you will find on exhibit a large stock of Autos and Auto Accessories, Ladies' and Gents' Fur Coats, Incubators and Poultry Supplies, Harness, Robes and Blankets.

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